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**Sent:** Thur 6/16/2016 11:40:05 PM  
**Subject:** Gunnison Copper Project - UIC permit application

Good Afternoon Nancy-

I appreciate your update regarding your pending comments. I also appreciate that reviewing those comments and our subsequent responses will mean a great deal of work for you and your team.

We have had great success with face-to-face meetings with ADEQ during the review of our permit application in advance of the delivery of written comments. These meetings have given ADEQ a better understanding of Excelsior's approach to in-situ mining of the Gunnison deposit, and how and why we constructed our application the way we did. This has resulted in a much reduced set of comments from ADEQ. Your thirty pages of comments suggests to us that a meeting might be helpful. It could very well reduce your work load significantly-- both in preparing the comments and reviewing the responses—and reduce the amount of back and forth communication.

Based on the successful working relationship we have with ADEQ, we would like to suggest meeting with you to discuss EPA's concerns. This could very possibly streamline the process and make your work easier. Please let us know when we can come to your office to meet with your team, including the third-party contractor, or schedule a conference call.

Thanks,

Becky

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Nancy,

Thanks for the update. We will schedule accordingly.

Becky

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Rebecca,

I have 30 pages of comments to review from our contractor. I am incorporating them into a request for additional information letter to you. This will take a few weeks. Please be patient.

Thanks, Nancy

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Nancy,

Just following up after our last phone call the end of May. Can you give me an idea of the timeframe for comments from EPA on the Gunnison Copper Project UIC permit application?

Is there anything we can provide to assist at this point in the review?

Thanks.

Thank you,

**Rebecca A. Sawyer**

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